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## Absent Voters Law

Hon. Lindsay Gordon has introduced a bill to repeal this law. It is a mere vehicle of fraud in its present form and will certainly be amended, if not repealed. Why not wipe out this disgrace to the Democracy of Virginia. The old rule of sending for voters and getting them to vote themselves on election day to vote in person is better, although at the cost of candidates for transportation. Pairs are easily obtained among gentlemen for those who are unavoidably away on election day. Some prominent State papers admit that Delegate Gordon's bill does away with fraud by repealing the law, but ask that the law be so amended that only real absentees be allowed to vote. It is far better that a few who refuse to inconvenience themselves in order to vote personally should lose their votes rather than that the whole primary should be tainted with fraud. Repeal it for the sake of decency and the honor of the party.

## New Laws

The General Assembly has gotten down to real work now and many important bills are pending. Road matters are up. One is to add 1,500 miles to the High way system; it will give Appomattox about thirteen more miles for State maintenance. A reapportionment of the gas fund is also proposed, and Appomattox will lose about \$100 if the bill becomes a law. Allocating the road funds according to area and population will remove the fund beyond the reach of the politicians and is an improvement over the present method of allocating according to districts. The bill removing the incentive to convict before Justice should become a law. It is alleged that innocent people have been convicted, because if conviction is secured fees are paid, while if lost the Justice loses fee also. Insurance laws are being passed and rates are to be supervised by State authority.

## Our Merchants

There is now before the post office committee of the house a bill that is of intense and vital interest to every country community. It is a postal rates bill introduced by Representative Grist of Pennsylvania. It provides new postal rates on several classes of mail, but that part of it of interest to the small cities and towns of the nation is in connection with third-class mail. Through preferential rates on third-class mail to the large users of this class of mail it purposes to subsidize the mail order houses and the big city merchants in their efforts to secure the chandising business of the smaller cities and towns, by giving to these mail order houses and big city merchants a cheaper rate on mail than the smaller cities and towns would be accorded to the merchants of the smaller city or country town. It purposes direct discrimination against the merchants of the smaller cities and towns in favor of the merchants and mail order houses of the larger cities.

All of this is tied up in a joker clause in the bill that provides that if the total weight of the total number of circulars of one kind to be mailed shall be twenty pounds or more the postage rate shall be one cent for each piece of mail.

# WOMAN JUDGE IS ALLY OF CUPID

South Carolina Jurist Has Issued 10,000 Licenses

Greenville, S. C.—Cupid's greatest ally in a state which has no divorce law is Mrs. Paula Davis Scott, Judge of Probate in Greenville county. She is still a young woman, but during the seven years she has been in office she has issued more than 10,000 marriage licenses and performed many of the ceremonies. She advises with virtually every couple that comes for a license and occasionally when some of them look a little weary of their marriage she tries to relieve the trouble. Usually she succeeds.

"If you are not happy apart," she sometimes tells them, "there must be a reason, and that reason is love." Interference of parents or other persons and the difficult task of adjusting personalities are given by Mrs. Scott as two of the principal causes of trouble in the lives of the newly married. Because of marriage licenses she is only one of the duties of her court. She handles juvenile delinquency cases and also presides at lunacy hearings. All while in the county are tied in her office.

Regarded as one of the leading women in South Carolina, Mrs. Scott has held office since 1921. The following year three men decided they wanted her job. She defeated them. While Mrs. Scott performs some of the marriage ceremonies, she turns most of them over to Assistant Judge of Probate J. P. Ballenger.

## Bones of Mammoth Found

10,000 Years Old Found

New York—Discovery of the bones of a large herd of mammoths that had "lugged down" in a salt creek in the desert wastes near Carlsbad caverns in New Mexico more than 10,000 years ago, was related in a dispatch to the New York Times from Carl B. Livingston, assistant to Willis Lee of the National Geographic society.

The society's explorers, Livingston said, had suspected that mammoths had once lived in the desert waste, 35 miles southeast of Carlsbad caverns, because ivory bones had been found among the relics of the caverns who buried their dead in vaults under the sandstone mountains, overlooking the region.

Picking up a mammoth tooth at the mouth of a small creek, the party proceeded along the windings of the stream and found fragments of a massive jawbone. "Reaching some water holes, which turned out to be briny," the dispatch said, "we saw tracks and many huge bones, exposed by torrents that had cut through the gravel bars and clay banks. Apparently a herd of 20 or 30 mammoths had lived in this one spot."

# Colored Paper Cutouts

Get Into Art Gallery

Paris—Colored paper "cutouts" have graduated into the art gallery class. An entire exhibition of pictures made by all shapes and kinds of colored paper pasted on canvas instead of spots of paint, has attracted much attention here.

Mme. Choumansky, deprived of paints during the revolution in Russia, turned to paper and critics approve the softness and the beauty of the technique she has developed. Such a method, much more geometrical in outline, has been used by artists, but the "cutting" of mattes and landscapes with irregular bits of colored paper is greeted as something quite new.

## Machine Can Be Made to Stop by Screen

London—Machinery can now be made to stop instantly in case of an accident by the voluntary or involuntary cry of the endangered person.

The system of "audible control" has been perfected to such an extent that it is now possible to control even a high speed train through wireless communication. Major Raymond Phillips, demonstrating his invention with a model railway, stands before a microphone. "Aloud," he shouts, and instantly two model trains begin racing around the miniature track. "Stop!" and the trains draw into a tiny station. "Back!" and the trains reverse. The microphone is so sensitive that it will disregard ordinary conversation.

Major Phillips believes that train accidents will be reduced by the use of microphones which, upon registering an exclamation of alarm, will stop the train. Doctors will actually open the doors without "open season" on the road.

## The White Man's Burden

That is the title of a famous poem written by Rudyard Kipling and first published in 1899. Each stanza of the poem begins with the line: "Take up the white man's burden." The phrase now means the responsibility of the white race for the moral and physical welfare of all the dark races of the world. Pathfinder Magazine.

# L. E. SMITH'S Annual February Sale

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| 20 Per cent Discount      | 20 Per cent Discount | 20 Per cent Discount |
| 9 Sheetting               | 34 1/2 Yd.           | 9 Sheetting          |
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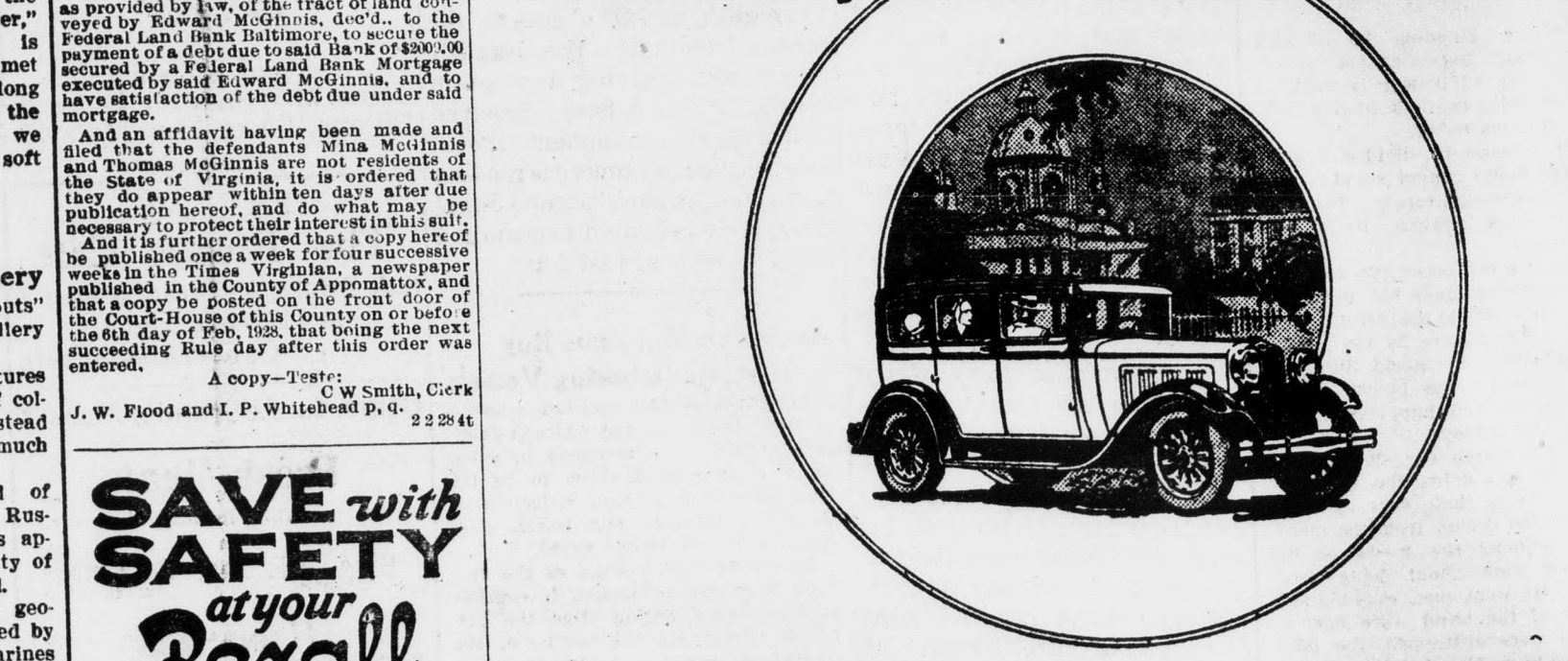
## Our Entire Stock Reduced For This Sale

| 1908 prs. Shoes              | On Second Floor                              |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Prices from 25cts. to \$1.98 | 1 Table Mens and Boys Caps                   |
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# PRICES SMASHED! Annual February Clearance SALE

Begins Feby. 4th Ends March 3rd

We have decided to place our entire stock of Clothing on sale for thirty days at 20 per cent REDUCED PRICES. This includes 200 stylish suits nearly all new stock. 50 Overcoats—brand new and stylish. Underwear, shirts, hats, neck-wear. Shoes for everybody—men and boys, ladies and school girls. Hosiery. Everything will be offered at this big saving for cash.

## OUR REASON:

The season has been unusually open and we find ourselves overstocked and we need the cash to pay for our new Spring stock. That is the whole story. You Gain! We Lose!

## WHAT IT MEANS:

Any article in the clothing line selling now at \$1.00, you get for 80 cents. Any Suit or Overcoat selling now at \$30.00, you get for cash during this sale for only \$24.00, and so on through the line. That Is Simple But That Is the Truth

## NOW IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY POSITIVELY THIRTY DAYS ONLY

Appomattox, Va. MEN'S SHOP, Inc. Appomattox, Va.

## FLYING MEDICAL SQUADRON

Planned for Australia. London.—A service of flying doctors will be the latest development of aviation in the interior of Australia early this year, according to news dispatches from Sydney. The medical flying squad has been organized in the interests of settlers in remote districts mainly by the efforts of two members of the Australian Board of Inland Stations, Rev. J. Flynn and Rev. J. A. Barber. An attempt to rush medical aid will be available at any hour of the day or night at the central station of the flying doctor service at Chancery, which will be in radio communication with several outlying stations where transmitting sets will be installed.

## 1,000,000 Incomes on Increase in U. S.

Washington.—Business is looking up in the million-or-better income tax class. Preliminary statistics by the bureau of internal revenue of the sources of personal income show that when 1927 closed there were 228 persons paying taxes of \$100,000 or more, and 154 more than in 1926. The total is for 1927, and 153 more than in 1926. The number of persons paying taxes of \$50,000 or more was 1,100 in 1927, and 1,000 more than in 1926. The number of persons paying taxes of \$25,000 or more was 3,000 in 1927, and 2,000 more than in 1926. The number of persons paying taxes of \$10,000 or more was 10,000 in 1927, and 5,000 more than in 1926. The number of persons paying taxes of \$5,000 or more was 25,000 in 1927, and 10,000 more than in 1926. The number of persons paying taxes of \$2,500 or more was 50,000 in 1927, and 20,000 more than in 1926. The number of persons paying taxes of \$1,000 or more was 100,000 in 1927, and 50,000 more than in 1926.

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Appomattox, Va.

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